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### WATCHING THE ROADS.

While it is travel that wears out a road, very few people have an idea of the actual amount of travel on any given highway. Local officials sometimes report that travel is heavy on a road when not more than half a dozen light vehicles pass a given point in an hour. Sometimes they will report travel as light when, as a matter of fact, the roads are being torn to pieces by a few heavy trucks engaged in continuous service on the roads. This travel is really a very important factor among the conditions that govern the proper choice of the type of construction for a road.

For instance, there was a well-known road in Massachusetts which was put in a condition that served admirably for the quite numerous carriages and automobiles then using it. One summer it was noticed that it was going to pieces rapidly and the reason was sought. Finally, by making 24-hour counts of all the users of the roads, it was found that very heavy wagons had recently been put on the road to haul ice. Such travel required a modification in the construction of the road, which was made when repairs became necessary and resulted in returning the road to its satisfactory condition.

As no really satisfactory planning of roads can be done without definite knowledge of the use of them, many of the children in the country schools of Illinois are now being trained to make enumerations of the vehicles on roads in their neighborhood, under their teachers' direction, and the counts are sent to the road officials. Intelligent youths make excellent travel counters with a little training, and local road improvement clubs will do a very good work if they will follow the Illinois plan and have actual counts made of the travel on their roads. Such counts are just as important in road improvement as taking a man's measure in tailoring.

### THE REPUBLICAN CHOICE.

The Republican convention at Chicago last week adopted a platform in harmony with the traditions of the party, and better still it selected a true and tried Republican to stand upon it. Justice Charles E. Hughes is in no sense a dark horse or an unknown. He was not selected as a negative candidate, a man of no opinion or a tractable politician. Indeed, his force of character and independence of thought and his record for having strong convictions were doubtless the main obstacles to his nomination on the first or second ballot. Some of the political leaders, especially those popularly known as the "old guard," feared that with Hughes in the White House they might have less political influence than they would like to enjoy. These men, however, were forced to bow before an irresistible popular demand, which was apparent when the convention convened and grew in intensity with each hour.

Justice Hughes acted with characteristic promptness on receipt of the news of the Republican convention's action. He at once resigned as justice of the United States supreme court and then forwarded to Chicago his acceptance of the nomination. It was embodied in a statement outlining his views on national issues — a statement which is vigorous and clear-cut, frank and unequivocal.

Vermont Republicans have a right to be especially enthusiastic about the Hughes candidacy for they were among the first to realize its possibilities and take action in accordance therewith. Whether or not the Republican party presents a united front in the coming campaign depends largely upon the decision of Colonel Roosevelt with regard to the Progressive nomination. His conditional refusal to become the candidate of that party for president is generally believed to forecast his eventual support of the Republican nominee, and if he does take such action there is good ground for belief that Democratic control of affairs at Washington will cease the fourth day of next March.

What can be done in building up rundown farms in New England is shown by the experiences of C. E. Beldie, of Kennebec county, Me., who some years ago bought a farm in the suburbs of Waterville for \$1,000. He has since brought the farm into a high state of cultivation, great gullies have been filled with rocks, stumps and other refuse. What was originally but poor, rough land is now in profitable culture and the farm is worth \$10,000. One thousand apple trees were set out, and are now in bearing. Over 50 tons of hay are raised per year, and a large quantity of vegetables and truck crops are marketed by the owner.

### GUARDED HUSBAND'S BODY.

Insane Woman Refused to Allow Undertaker to Remove it for Burial, threatening to Kill Him.  
With a revolver, axe and knife within easy access, Mrs. Frank E. Washburn of Keene, N. H., who lived two miles out of the city on Winchester street, refused to let anybody remove the body of her husband from the house for burial after the funeral Sunday, saying she would kill anybody who undertook to take it away. It was not until she was induced by an officer to leave the house Monday afternoon that there was opportunity to remove the body, and while that was being done papers were being made out for Mrs. Washburn's commitment to the state insane hospital in Concord. She was in the insane hospital previous to six years ago, when her husband secured her release.

She refused to have any minister in the house for the funeral Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, so the service was conducted by Beaver Brook lodge of Odd Fellows, whom she allowed to enter without protest.  
At the close of the service Undertaker Harry N. Aldrich made preparations to remove the body, whereupon Mrs. Washburn exclaimed: "Mr. Washburn owns this house and he will stay here." The undertaker tried to persuade her to allow the body to be buried, but she was insistent and said she would kill him if he tried to remove it. Relatives undertook to overcome the woman's objections, but she was firm and made it so unpleasant that they left the house. "This is a funny funeral, isn't it?" Mrs. Washburn said to some of those present.

The people finally withdrew and Mr. Aldrich took counsel, but found that he had no right to take the body by force.  
A nephew of Mr. Washburn said she had a revolver in the pantry, an axe at the head of her bed and a knife in another place.  
When the time came for taking Mrs. Washburn to the state insane hospital Monday night the officers experienced no trouble in accomplishing the task.

About 3:45 o'clock Lawrence Gilbo, acting city marshal in the absence of Marshal Philbrick, went to the Washburn home and rapped and Mrs. Washburn came to the door with the greeting, "Who are you?" The officer replied, "I am officer Gilbo," whereupon she asked him to "come right in."

Mrs. Washburn readily consented to go to the police station, where she was told that she must go back to the insane hospital at Concord. She did not like the idea, but made no trouble. Judge of Probate Robert E. Ray had the commitment papers made out about 6 o'clock.

When everything was ready for the start Officer Gilbo said to Mrs. Washburn: "There is a big crowd out there by the car and they think you are crazy, and you want to fool them and show them that you are not by walking straight up to the car and getting in." The unfortunate woman complied with the suggestion, and the trip was begun by automobile. Officer Swanstrom and John H. Pender accompanied the party. They reached Concord about midnight.

After Mrs. Washburn had gone to the police station Undertaker Aldrich went to the Washburn home and removed Mr. Washburn's body, which was taken to Alstead, N. H., for burial, accompanied by relatives.

Mrs. Washburn was peddling fish in Public Thursday, June 8, and in trying to overtake his horse, which had started without command, he fell dead of heart disease. He was about 50 years old, and left no children.  
Mrs. Fred Lower, who lives next door to the Washburn house, was asked to notify Mrs. Washburn of her husband's death, which she did. In an instant Mrs. Washburn exclaimed: "If he is dead you killed him," and drove her out of the house.

### RESTRAINS HEALTH BOARD.

Court Orders Vermont Officials to Show Cause for Action.  
A restraining order has been served on members of the state board of health in an action brought in the United States district court, in which the officials will be asked to show cause why they should instruct customers of the Albany Ice Cream company of Albany, N. Y., not to buy ice cream which contains less than 14 per cent butter fat. The hearing will be held at Brattleboro June 22.

It is understood the state board of health has set as a standard for butter fat in ice cream not less than 14 per cent and that samples of the product from the Albany concern did not meet this requirement.  
Excursion to Plattsburg June 25. See ad on page 3.  
Walter Johnson was not able to start Washington in the running again.

## COW BROUGHT \$1,510

Auction of 137 Head on Fair Grounds Brought \$28,920

First Sale in Brattleboro Under the Auspices of Purebred Live Stock Sales Co.—Average Was \$212.

The first of the auction sales of the Purebred Live Stock Sales Co., Inc., of Brattleboro to be held in Brattleboro and the second under the management of the company, which began Tuesday, came to a close late Wednesday afternoon on the Valley fair grounds in a whirlwind of bidding. During the last hour of the sale anyone who really wanted an animal that was for sale was forced to speak quick or lose his chance. The necessity for hurrying undoubtedly had something to do with keeping down the prices of the last lot of animals sold.  
As it was, the sales for the day totaled \$17,400 for 73 cattle, an average of a small fraction under \$244 each for the day's sales. The sales of the first day amounted to \$11,520 for 64 cattle, bringing the total for the two days to \$28,920, an average of \$212 each for 137 cattle. While it was probably a little disappointing that there was not a larger crowd present there was no question of the interest of those who were on hand. The big majority were men who were interested in cattle and who knew good cattle, and most of them were there to buy if they could get what they wanted for a price they considered a fair one. The weather was ideal for the sale, but coming as it did immediately after a long rainy spell it forced many farmers who otherwise would have been on hand to remain at home to do work that the inclement weather had prevented them from doing before.

F. H. Metcalf of Holyoke, Mass., who with his father operates the big Farr-Alpaca mills there, was the highest buyer and paid the largest price for a single cow. He bought eight animals for \$3,800, paying \$1,510 for Thyrca Cornucopia 156574 Wednesday morning. He paid \$505 for Mapleton Vadoria 2d, 222793, bred and consigned by J. L. Prentiss & Son of Alstead, N. H.; L. C. Lovell of Bellows Falls ran his total purchases up to 28, most of them young heifers. He paid \$3,604 for the lot. H. C. Reynolds of Thompson, Conn., and D. W. Wright of Cambridge, N. Y., were tied for third highest bidders, each \$2,180 each paid for eight animals each. C. A. Preston of Contoocook, N. H., had a bill of \$1,400 for his purchases. Donald Bros., of Chester, spent \$1,365 for seven animals and J. L. Kerr of Warner, N. H., \$1,150 for seven others. F. W. Weedon of Bellows Falls had a bill of \$1,040 for the eight animals he bought.

The distinction of paying the second highest price for a single animal fell to Dr. J. G. Whitney of Montpelier, who paid \$700 for a total of \$800, paying \$90 each for the calves.

Other purchasers were F. E. Gorham of South Newbury, C. H. Eldridge of Shelburne Falls, Mass., William Aldon of Granville, N. Y., Henry Frost of East Putney, L. C. Lovell of Bellows Falls and A. L. Miller of Vernon.

Several of the cattle disposed of were from the herds of the Vermont academy at Saxtons River. J. W. Prentiss & Son of Alstead, N. H., and F. E. Gorham of South Newbury.

Other consignors to the sale included Earl A. Howe of Windsor, Harry Mack of East Jaffrey, N. H., Mt. Hermon Boys' School, Mt. Hermon, Mass.; Fred R. Thomas, Claremont, N. H.; P. B. Roberts, Rupert; Robert P. Mead, West Rutland; Canterbury Shakers, East Canterbury, N. H.; Fred Leitch, Granville, N. Y.; Ira Jay Dutton, Newfane; Merton E. Woodworth, Atkinson Depot, N. H.; Dorand Bros., Chester; George A. Hosmer, Chester Depot; Dr. J. G. Whitney, Montpelier; C. H. Thomas, West Rutland, N. H.; C. E. Parker, Granville, N. Y.; Prentiss & Lovell, Bellows Falls; S. P. Campbell, Windham, N. H.; and J. L. Kerr of Warner, N. H.

The Auctioneers were O. H. Forbush of Concord Junction, Mass., and Frank Beecher of Granville, N. H.

The sale adjourned at 12:30 o'clock for dinner. Those who desired were able to obtain dinner in the dining room under the grandstand, where M. J. Sherry served a substantial meal. At 2 o'clock the sale was in full blast again.  
The animals were led on to a raised platform at one side of the tent, where an attendant exhibited their fine points and in numerous instances milked a cow a little. Camp chairs under the tent made it comfortable for buyers and the more curious spectators, while at one side of the exhibition platform were clerks and at the back of the clerks a blackboard on which was written the name of each buyer and price paid. A printed catalogue with the number of each animal listed for sale and pedigree, name of assignor and that of the breeder furnished most of

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